

Incorporation/Annexation Status Report As of January 2005

Municipal Advisory Committees

Biscayne Gardens

The Biscayne Gardens Municipal Advisory Committee (MAC) conducted its initial public hearing on December 7, 2004. The members will begin preparing its proforma budget on January 26, 2005.

Cutler Ridge

The Board of County Commissioners (BCC) passed a resolution (R-1318-04) on November 30, 2004 to allow the residents of Cutler Ridge to vote on the question of incorporation on January 11, 2004.

Fisher Island

The MAC met with the Miami-Dade Police Department (MDPD) on December 15, 2004. MDPD is awaiting input from their attorney's as to the level of service requested by the MAC (a reduced level of service). The first public hearing is scheduled for January 5, 2005 at 6:00 at the Vanderbilt mansion.

Fontainebleau

The Fontainebleau MAC report was presented to the Boundaries Commission on September 1, 2004. The Boundaries Commission moved the item forward to the Planning and Advisory Board (PAB) with three (3) considerations to note: (1) how the proposed budget would impact the millage rate for the proposed incorporation area, (2) review the possibility of expanding the boundaries, and (3) consider lack of community participation at the Boundaries Commission meeting. The PAB met on October 18, 2004 at 6:00 PM at the EWF Stirrup Elementary School. The PAB deferred the item and requested that County staff provide existing budgets of compatible municipalities, provide 2003 Police budget numbers, and 2003 Fire Department information. The follow up PAB meeting is scheduled for January 10, 2005.

Goulds

Currently, the Goulds MAC (GMAC) is working with the Florida Conflict Resolution Consortium (FCRC) negotiating boundaries with the Redlands and Redlands Edge. Subsequent to the adoption of Ordinance 04-148 creating the GMAC with the boundaries mediated with Cutler Ridge, the GMAC has only held one meeting. There have been three past meetings cancelled due to no quorum. In addition, the MAC cancelled their December 7th meeting citing Holidays and some members being unable to attend the meeting due to planning to be out of town. Their next meeting will be in January 11, 2005.

North Central Dade

The staff report was presented to the Boundaries Commission on September 29, 2004. The Board's recommendation was to deny the proposed incorporation of the area because it was not economically feasible and that the boundaries would result in two enclaves remaining in the area. The item was heard on December 6, 2004 at Miami Central High School at 6:00 PM by the PAB which made a recommendation to deny the proposed incorporation (unanimously (6-0)) and forward to the BCC for final determination.

Northeast Dade

The MAC met on December 15, 2004. The members signed a resolution to submit its report to the BCC and thus completed its study of the area. The staff report will be compiled to present to the Boundaries Commission.

PLANT (Princeton, Leisure City, and Naranja)

The PLANT MAC (PMAC) met on September 16, 2004 and discussed their pro-forma budget. The PMAC decided not to meet again until they had more information from the FCRC concerning their desire to expand its boundaries. The PMAC chairperson said he would contact the FCRC as to their status.

Redland

The Redland MAC (RMAC) had their last meeting on January 22, 2004. The major discussion item was Commissioner Sorenson and Commissioner Moss' resolution. The RMAC has conflicts with Goulds and PLANT concerning the boundaries and is currently in negotiations with the FCRC.

Annexations

Davis Ponce

The Davis Ponce report was presented to the Boundaries Commission on September 1, 2004. The Boundaries Commission recommended that the item be deferred by the PAB and the BCC until the entire enclave (which consists of the Davis Ponce and High Pines area) is annexed to the City of Coral Gables. The PAB met on November 8, 2004 and made the same recommendation.

Doral

The Doral application went before the BCC on September 9, 2004. The BCC did not accept the application. The Board gave the Manager 120 days to mediate mutually agreeable boundaries with Virginia Gardens, Medley, and Miami Springs. The cities have met twice.

Florida City

The Florida City application has been approved by the Boundaries Commission and rejected by the Planning Advisory Board (PAB). It will be reviewed by the Incorporation & Annexation Subcommittee at their next meeting.

Homestead

The City of Homestead submitted its completed application on July 21, 2004. The application was reviewed by County departments. The Boundaries Commission (BC) meeting that was scheduled for October 20, 2004 was cancelled due to a lack of quorum. The December 1, 2004 Boundaries Commission meeting was also cancelled due to a lack of quorum. The next meeting is scheduled for January 19, 2005.

Medley

The Medley application went before the BCC on September 9, 2004. The BCC did not accept the application. The Board gave the Manager 120 days to mediate mutually agreeable boundaries with Doral, Virginia Gardens, and Miami Springs. The cities have met twice.

Miami Shores

An annexation application was received from the Village of Miami Shores on November 26, 2004. The application has been accepted by the BCC and a staff report is now in preparation. It is anticipated that the application will be presented to the Boundaries Commission in January 2005.

Miami Springs

The Miami Springs application went before the BCC on September 9, 2004. The BCC did not accept the application. The Board gave the Manager 120 days to mediate mutually agreeable boundaries with Doral, Virginia Gardens, and Medley. The cities have met twice.

Virginia Gardens

The Virginia Gardens application was accepted by the BCC on September 23, 2003. On September 9, 2004, The Board gave the Manager 120 days to mediate mutually agreeable boundaries with Doral, Medley, and Miami Springs. The cities have met twice.

Transition Cities

Doral

The City of Doral Roads Transfer Agreement went before the Government Operations & Environment (GOE) Committee on December 7, 2004 and is scheduled to go to the BCC for final approval on January 20, 2005. The Parks Agreement was approved by the BCC on December 14, 2004. The agreement is in the process of being signed by County management.

Miami Gardens

All interlocal agreements with the City of Miami Gardens have been completed and recorded. The deeds to three parks have not been transferred due to funding and construction issues.

Palmetto Bay

The City of Palmetto Bay Roads Transfer Agreement went before the GOE Committee on December 7, 2004 and is scheduled to go to the BCC for final approval on January 20, 2005.

Additional Information

Redland Petition

The BCC deferred consideration of this petition for incorporation at their December 14, 2004 meeting. The petition was received by the Clerk of the Board on May 17, 2004 and has been certified by the Elections Department. No date certain was established by the board for future consideration of the petition.

Incorporation and Annexation Subcommittee

The Incorporation and Annexation Subcommittee met on October 14, 2004 to discuss the Manager's Incorporation and Annexation policy recommendations. The recommendations which require approval of an ordinance were presented to the BCC on December 14, 2004 for first reading. The ordinances will go before the Budget & Finance Committee on February 9, 2005 for recommendation.